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REBECCA JANE COOPER, white female, born, Social Security Account Number telephone was interviewed in the offices of her attorneys, SIMON and ELAINE MITLAN of the firm Dickstein, Shapiro Oshinsky, 2101 L Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20037, 202-828-2211.	JUSTIN D.	
After being advised of the personal and offi identities of the interviewers and the purpose of the COOPER provided the following information:		

COOPER is currently employed as Chief of Staff to the United States Mission to the United Nations, 2201 C Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., telephone and has been so employed since September of 1997. Prior to this employment, COOPER was employed by CNN Cable Network, assigned in Washington, D.C.

COOPER first became aware of MONICA LEWINSKY in about October of 1997 when LEWINSKY's name appeared on Ambassador RICHARDSON's schedule as a job interview in Washington, D.C. Either MONA SUTFIN, Executive Assistant to the Ambassador, or ISABEL WATKINS, Administrative Assistant to the Ambassador, would have set up the interview and prepared the schedule.

COOPER was aware that LEWINSKY had formerly worked in the White House and that LEWINSKY had been referred to the Ambassador by someone in the White House. The position for which LEWINSKY was being considered was a political appointment formerly held by GINA GRIEGO in the Washington Office; however, GRIEGO had submitted her resignation and the Ambassador was attempting to redefine the position and move it to the New York Office.

The interview of LEWINSKY was conducted in the hotel suite of Ambassador RICHARDSON at the Watergate Hotel on October 31, 1997. Those present were Ambassador RICHARDSON, MONA SUTFIN, possibly a diplomatic security agent and COOPER. Ambassador RICHARDSON remained in the sitting room for only a short period of time and then excused himself to go into the next room to

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